

REQUEST FOR BIDS

**SOFT BALLISTIC SHIELDS
RFB-16-38424**



**CITY OF MARIETTA
PURCHASING DIVISION
205 Lawrence Street
Marietta, Georgia
30060**

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FOR
SOFT BALLISTIC SHIELDS**

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INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDER FOR INVITATION TO BID

ARTICLE 1 TIME AND DATE DUE

The City of Marietta, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia (hereinafter "City of Marietta" or the "City") shall receive sealed bids from individuals, corporations, partnerships, and other legal entities organized under the laws of the State of Georgia or authorized to conduct business in the State of Georgia until:

10:00 AM., Wednesday, January 20, 2016

For the following:

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All pricing relative to this bid document shall be completed on the Bid Pricing Form, Exhibit "E" (Page BF-1) and attached hereto.

ARTICLE 2 OPENING LOCATION & TIME

This bid shall be opened at 10:00 AM., Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at the City of Marietta, Purchasing division, First Floor, and 205 Lawrence Street, Marietta, Georgia 30060. The City will not be responsible for late deliveries or delayed mail. The time/date stamp clock located in the Purchasing division shall serve as the official authority to determine lateness of any bid. The bid opening time shall be strictly observed. Under no circumstance shall bids delivered after the specified time be considered. Such bids will be returned unopened.

ARTICLE 3 DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS

Any bids received after the stated time and date shall not be considered. It shall be the sole responsibility of the bidder to have their bid delivered to the City of Marietta Purchasing Division for receipt on or before the above stated time and date. If a bid is sent by the U.S. Postal Service, the bidder shall be responsible for its timely delivery to the Purchasing division. Bids delayed by the mail shall not be opened at the public opening, and arrangements shall be made for their return at the bidder's request and expense.

ARTICLE 4 CLARIFICATION & ADDENDA

Each bidder shall examine all invitation for bid documents and shall judge all matters relating to the adequacy and accuracy of such documents. Any inquiries, suggestions, or requests concerning interpretation, clarification or additional information pertaining to the invitation to bid shall be made through Ms. Cindy Dorrough, (770) 794-5698, cdorough@mariettaga.gov, The City of Marietta, Purchasing Division. The City shall not be liable for oral interpretations given by any City employee, representative, or others. The issuance of a written addendum is the only official method whereby interpretation, clarification or additional information can be given.

If any addenda are issued to this invitation for bid, the City shall attempt to notify all prospective bidders who have secured the same, however, it shall be the responsibility of each bidder prior to submitting their bid to contact the City of Marietta, Purchasing division at (770) 794-5698 or cdorough@mariettaga.gov to determine if any addenda were issued and to make sure such addenda is a part of their bid. EACH BIDDER SHALL ACKNOWLEDGE IN ITS BID ALL ADDENDA RECEIVED.

ARTICLE 5 USE, CLARIFICATION AND RETURN OF DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS

All Drawings and Specifications for the work are the sole property of the Owner and intended solely for use in the work contemplated in such Drawings and Specifications. Except for a bidder whose bid is accepted, said Drawings and Specifications shall be returned in good condition immediately upon receipt of notification that a bid has been accepted or that no award of said bid shall be accepted.

If there are any discrepancies in, or omissions from, the Drawings or Specifications, or if the bidder is in doubt as to the true meaning of any part of the Contract Document, he shall request clarification from The Purchasing Division. Such request shall be in writing and shall be made not less than forty-eight hours prior to the time scheduled for the termination of bidding. Interpretations in response to inquiries for any bidder, clarifications or corrections issued in in the form of addenda shall be mailed to each bidder. If the bidder fails to request clarification regarding methods of performing work or the material required, his bid shall be deemed to include the method requiring the greater quantity of work or material or upon the material of greatest cost indicated.

ARTICLE 6 BUSINESS LICENSE /OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE

The bidder shall provide appropriate proof of an Occupational Tax license

ARTICLE 7 SEALED & MARKED

**THREE SIGNED COPIES OF YOUR BID SHALL BE SUBMITTED
IN ONE SEALED PACKAGE, CLEARLY MARKED ON THE OUTSIDE:**

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City of Marietta, Purchasing Division
205 Lawrence Street
Marietta, Georgia 30060
Attention: Ms. Cindy Dorough

Bids shall clearly indicate the legal name, address and telephone of the respective bidder (company, firm, partnership, individual). Bids shall be signed above the typed or printed name and title of the signer. The signer shall have the authority to bind the bidder to the submitted bid.

All expenses for making bids to the City are to be borne by the bidder.

Any bid may be withdrawn up until the date and time set above for the opening of bid. Any bid not withdrawn shall, upon opening, constitute an irrevocable offer for a period of 60 days to sell to The City of Marietta the goods or services set forth in the attached specifications until one or more of the bids have been duly accepted by the City. All prices shall be quoted F.O.B. City of Marietta, Georgia.

Mathematical errors shall be corrected by the City, i.e.: misplaced decimal points shall be corrected; in discrepancies between unit price vs. extended price, unit price shall govern; errors in extension of unit prices shall be corrected and mathematical errors shall be corrected.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any and or all bids, to waive irregularities and technicalities, award the contract in the best interest of the City of Marietta or to request re-bid. The City reserves the right to accept all or any part of the bid and to increase or decrease quantities to meet additional or reduced requirements of the City.

For each item or for all items combined, the bid of the lowest, responsible and responsive bidder shall be accepted, unless all bids are rejected. The lowest responsive bidder shall mean the bidder who makes the lowest bid to sell goods and/or services of a quality which conforms closest to the quality of goods and/or services set forth in the attached specifications or otherwise required by the City, and conforms to all material aspects of the requirements set forth in the invitation for bid. To be a

responsible bidder, the bidder shall be fit and capable to perform the work as required, shall have the capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements, and shall have the tenacity, perseverance, experience, integrity, reliability, capacity, facilities, equipment, and credit, which shall assure good faith performance. Also, the City reserves the right to make such investigations as it deems necessary to determine the ability of any bidder to deliver the goods or service requested.

Information the City deems necessary to make this determination shall be provided by the bidder. Such information may include, but shall not be limited to current financial statements; verification of availability of equipment and personnel; and past performance records.

ARTICLE 12 APPLICABLE LAWS

Bidders shall be authorized to transact business in the State of Georgia. All applicable laws and regulations of the State of Georgia and ordinances and regulations of the City of Marietta shall apply to any resulting agreement.

ARTICLE 13 CODE OF ETHICS

With respect to this bid, if any bidder violates or is a part to a violation of the State of Georgia, Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees, such bidder may be disqualified from furnishing the goods or services for which the bid is submitted and shall be further disqualified from submitting any future bids for goods or services for the City of Marietta.

ARTICLE 14 COLLUSION

By offering a submission to this invitation for bid, the bidder certifies that the bidder has not divulged to, discussed or compared his bid with other bidders and has not colluded with any other bidder or parties to this bid whatsoever. Also, bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to his/her own organization, that in connection with this bid:

- 14.1 Any prices and/or cost data submitted have been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices and or cost data, with any other bidder or with any competitor;
- 14.2 Any prices and/or cost data quoted for this bid have not been knowingly disclosed by the bidder and shall not knowingly be disclosed by the bidder prior to the scheduled opening directly or indirectly to any other bidder or to any competitor;
- 14.3 No attempt has been made or shall be made by the bidder to induce any other person or firm to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition;

14.4 The only person or persons interested in this bid, principal/principals is/are named therein and that no person other than therein mentioned has any interest in his bid or in the contract to be entered into; and

14.5 No person or agency has employed or retained to solicit or secure this contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or established commercial agencies maintained by the Purchaser for the purpose of doing business.

ARTICLE 15 CONTRACT FORMS

Any agreement, contract or Purchase Order resulting from the acceptance of a bid shall be on forms provided by the City. Each bidder shall state in his bid, in words and numerical, written in ink or typed, the price for which he shall perform the work or supply the items required by the specifications, plans and contract documents. Any erasures, delineations or alterations are to be clear and initialed by the person signing.

ARTICLE 16 NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE

Owner shall notify the successful bidder of its acceptance of the bid by depositing an executed copy thereof in the United States mail. Such notice shall be sent by certified mail, with postage prepaid, to the name and address of such bidder as stated in the proposal. Unsuccessful bidders shall be notified first-class mail.

ARTICLE 17 BID FORMS, VARIANCES, ALTERNATES

Bids shall be submitted on attached City forms. **BIDDERS SHALL SUBMIT SIGNED BID FORMS, ALL DOCUMENTS REQUIRING SIGNATURES AND ANY OTHER ATTACHMENTS (LICENSES, SPECIFICATIONS, ETC.) REQUIRED FOR THIS BID IN TRIPLICATE WITH ORIGINAL SIGNATURES WHERE APPLICABLE.**

Bidders shall indicate any and all variances/exceptions from the City requested specifications, terms, and conditions on sheet entitled **“EXHIBIT B”** Providing there have

been no variances/exceptions or alterations attached to said bid, it shall be assumed that the bidder is meeting all requirement of the specifications. Alternate bids may or may not be considered at the sole discretion of the City.

ARTICLE 18 DISCOUNTS

Any and all discounts shall be incorporated as a reduction in the bid price and not shown separately. The price as shown on the bid shall be the price used in determining awards.

ARTICLE 19 DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION

Unless otherwise specifically provided in the specifications, reference to any equipment, material, article or patented process, by trade name, make or catalogue number, shall be regarded as establishing a standard of quality and shall not be construed as limiting competition. If the bidder wishes to make substitution to the specifications, bidder shall furnish to the City the name of the manufacturer, the model number, and other identifying data and information necessary to aid the City in evaluating the substitution, and such substitution shall be subject to City approval. Substitutions shall be approved only if determined by the City to be equivalent to the specifications. A bid containing a substitution is not accepted until such time as it is approved by the City.

ARTICLE 20 TAXES

The City of Marietta is exempt from Federal Excise and State Sale Taxes; therefore the bidder is prohibited from delineating a separate line item in his bid for any sales or service taxes. The City of Marietta does not intend to imply that a bidder has no independent tax liability.

ARTICLE 21 USE OF TRADE NAMES

Brand or trade names referenced in specifications are for comparison purposes only. Bidders may submit bids on items manufactured by other than the manufacturer specified. In these instances, bids shall be accompanied with all descriptive information necessary for a through evaluation of the proposed materials, equipment such as detailed drawings and specifications, certified operation and test data, and experience records, as well as an itemized list of any variance from, or exception taken to the specifications.

Failure of any bidder to furnish this data shall be cause for rejection of specified item(s) to which it pertains.

ARTICLE 22 REGULATIONS, CODES AND STANDARDS

It shall be the responsibility of each supplier to assure compliance with any and all Codes & Standards including but not limited to OSHA, EPA LIFESAFETY, ANSI ASTM, UA and/or other Federal or State of Georgia rules, regulations or other requirements, as each may apply.

When applicable, and as required under the provisions of Georgia's Right-To-Know-Law, the manufacturer, importer or distributor of a toxic substance shall provide a material safety sheet with the bid.

ARTICLE 23 AUTHORIZED PRODUCTION REPRESENTATION

The successful bidder(s) by virtue of submitting the name and specifications of a manufacturer's product, shall be required to furnish the named manufacturer's product. By virtue of submission of the stated documents it shall be presumed by the City that the bidder(s) is/are legally authorized to submit, and the successful bidder(s) shall be legally bound to perform according to the documents.

ARTICLE 24 EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY CLAUSE

The City of Marietta, Marietta, Georgia, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of The Civil Rights Act of 1964(78 Stat. 252) and the Regulations of the Division of Commerce (15 CFR, Part 8) issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it shall affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises shall be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this advertisement and shall not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, disability or national origin in consideration for an award.

ARTICLE 25 CONFIRMATION ON BIDS

BIDDERS INTERESTED IN RECEIVING A COPY OF THE BID TABULATION/EVALUATION SHEET SHOULD ENCLOSE A STAMPED, SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE WITH THEIR BID. ALLOW THIRTY (30) DAYS MINIMUM FOR A REPLY.

EXHIBIT A

Drug Free Work Place Certification

Identical Tie Bids - Preference shall be given to businesses with drug-free workplace program. Whenever two or more bids which are equal with respect to price, quality and service are received by the State or by any political subdivision for the procurement of commodities or contractual services, a bid received from a business that certifies that has implemented a drug-free work place program shall be given preference in the award process. Established procedures processing tie bids shall be followed if none of the tied vendors have drug-free workplace program. In order to have a drug-free workplace, a business shall:

- 1) Publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of controlled substances is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that shall be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition.**
- 2) Inform employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace, the business's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace, any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs, and the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.**
- 3) Give each employee engaged in providing the commodities of contractual services that are under bid a copy of the statement specified in subsection (1).**
- 4) In the statement specified in subsection (1), notify the employee that, as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services that are under bid, the employee shall abide by the terms of the statement and shall notify the employer of any conviction of, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, any violation of Chapter 893 or of any controlled substance law of the United States or any state, for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five (5) days after such conviction.**
- 5) Impose a sanction on, or require that satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program if such is available in the employee's community, by any employee who is so convicted.**
- 6) Make a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of this section.**

As the person authorized to sign this statement, I certify that this firm complies fully with the above requirements.

COMPANY NAME

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

EXHIBIT B
ALTERATIONS /EXCEPTIONS

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: ALL ITEMS SHALL BE TYPED OR PRINTED

SPECIFICATIONS

Brand and model:

Survival Armor CSAS soft ballistic shield

Description:

Size 22" x 48"

Ballistic panels must meet or exceed NIJ 06 standards level IIIA with Mil-Spec

Fragmentation Protection

Overlapping Plate Pockets

Two Re-enforced padded carrying handles and strap

White and black "POLICE" Velcro label for the top

Quantity:

9



CITY OF MARIETTA/BOARD OF LIGHTS AND WATER

SOFT BALLISTIC SHIELDS

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DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
Survival Armor CSAS soft ballistic shield as per specifications	9		

PLEASE INCLUDE A PRODUCT BROCHURE WITH YOUR BID.

GRAND TOTAL: \$_____

ETA:_____

Bid submitted by:

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Authorized Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Date: _____

Tax ID number: _____

e-mail : _____

**IMMIGRATION AND SECURITY FORM
(GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT AFFIDAVIT)**

Contractor's Name:	
State Entity's Name:	CITY OF MARIETTA
City Solicitation/ Contract No.:	SOFT BALLISTIC SHIELDS

CONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned Contractor verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. §13-10-91, stating affirmatively that the Contractor identified above has registered with and is participating in a federal work authorization program*, in accordance with the applicability provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. 13-10-91.

The undersigned further agrees that, should it employ or contract with any subcontractor(s) in connection with the physical performance of services pursuant to this contract with the City of Marietta, Contractor will secure from such subcontractor(s) similar verification of compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 on the attached Subcontractor Affidavit. Contractor further agrees to maintain records of such compliance and provide a copy of each such verification to the City of Marietta at the time the subcontractor(s) is retained to perform such service.

EEV / E-Verify™ User Identification Number

BY: Authorized Officer or Agent
(Contractor Name)

Date

Title of Authorized Officer or Agent of Contractor

Printed Name of Authorized Officer or Agent

Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN
BEFORE ME ON THIS THE

____ DAY OF _____, 20__

Notary Public

[NOTARY SEAL]

My Commission Expires:

*any of the electronic verification of work authorization programs operated by the United States Division of Homeland Security or any equivalent federal work authorization program operated by the United States Division of Homeland Security to verify information of newly hired employees, pursuant to the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (IRCA), P.L. 99-603